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Texas Senator

YOUR TAXPAYER WATCHDOG IS SHOWING HIS TEETH AGAIN!

I'm on full alert to protect Texas taxpayers!

The 81st Legislative Session is coming quickly to a close, and as one of the five Senate appointees to the Conference Committee on Senate Bill 1 (our state's biennial budget) almost every hour of the day and evening is filled with budget work. It is an honor to be twice appointed to this committee and be your watchdog to represent and defend conservative taxpayers' interests.

Writing and passing the budget is THE most important thing we do. In fact it is the **ONLY** thing the legislative body is actually required to constitutionally perform.

As your Taxpayer Watchdog in the Texas Senate and conference committee, I am committed to holding state spending in line with population and inflation growth, and **will NOT support tax increase mandates from the liberals in Washington.**

Our state budget must support economic recovery measures which stimulate the Texas economy, not programs which stimulate higher taxes!

Due to rising unemployment and economic conditions, we are faced with covering a \$1 billion dollar shortfall in our biennial budget. By anybody's count, that's a **BIG** and unexpected number.

This shortfall makes the committee's work a little harder, but with conservative budgeting we can do it. Families all across Texas have been tightening their belts lately, and so should state government.

With less than 3 weeks left of the 81st session, I am confident we will produce a responsible budget to keep our Texas economy strong and taxes low.

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